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TECHNICAL PROPOSAL
FOR
SIMPLIFICATION OF HAND CONTROL
PE 500-0133

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GENERAL

The following technical proposal is in response to a verbal request by

for a re-examination of the operational requirements of the

Drift Sight and Hand Control.

Use of the Drift Sight and Hand Control over the past one and one half years has resulted in a modification of the original philosophy represented by the present design. Some features available are no longer required, while new features are desired. A tabulation of the salient points best illustrates this:

ORIGINAL PURPOSE	CURRENT TREND	REASON FOR CHANGE
1.) Nevigational aid.	1.) Eliminate	1.) Other devices available for this function.
2.) Establish INC rate for C Configuration.	2.) Retain for C Configur- ation only.	,
1.) Navigational aid.	1.) Eliminate	1.) Replaced by Drift scale on D/S eyepiese.
2.) Part of cor- rection for proper IMC rate setting.	2.) Retain for C Configuration only.	
No requirement	Required	Resrvard viewing desired with scan- ning capability.
Requirement	Not required	Special nature of C Configuration may require consideration as a separate package with respect to PAGE 1.
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original Feature	original Purpose	CURRENT	reason For Change
•			specialised Hand Control requirements

Elimination of the specialized, Hand Control features for use with the C Configuration permits simplification of the Hand Control with consequent reduction in volume and weight. The following applies only to the MK II (FOG) Hand Control, which is an electrical unit.

TRACK AND DRIFT CONTROLS

These controls will be eliminated since the prime feature of this redesigned Hand Control is to provide a means for the pilot to see outside his craft and to scan in all directions. Elimination of these controls will eliminate the integrator, tracking rate motor, and associated gear meshes. Further, since the unit will not and cannot be used with the C Configuration (and Computor attachment) the alpha and beta bale rings, and alpha and rate potentiometers will be removed as will their associated gears and shafts.

Since no tracking feature is available these is no need for declutching the unit by depressing the handle, thereby eliminating the slip clutches, relay and associated circuitry.

BLECTRICAL CONTROLS

The current electrical controls (lights, mode switch, master switch and power changer switch) will be retained unchanged. However the "Store" momentary switch which is used with the "C" Configuration and Computer unit, will be eliminated.

The A and A & E synchros, the two transistorised amplifiers and power inverter (28VDC to 400 cps) will be retained since this serve loop is required to control the scanning of the Drift Sight.

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DRIFT SIGHT

No changes will be made in the Drift Sight.

HIND SIGHT FRATURES

With the elimination of the bale rings, \$\frac{1}{2}90^0\$ fore-aft motion of the Hand Control knob from vertical will be provided. The motion of the Hand Control knob will also include \$\frac{1}{2}60^0\$ athwartships from vertical. No directional signal, either visual or touch is required since the position of the Hand Control represents the direction of the line of sight. Detents for the vertical position will be provided since drift angle can only be measured when the line of sight is vertical.

SERVO CONTROL

The overall loop gain of the serve system will be such that the line of sight will follow the Hand Control knob motion with a static error not greater than approximately three mils of are and a velocity error not greater than about $60^{\circ}/\text{sec}/\text{degree}$ error.

SENSITIVITY

Since the only torque on the Hand Control knob will be that due to the friction of the gear train the "feel" will be very light and require too delicate a touch. To give the eperator the sense or feeling that he is moving something an inertial lead will be applied to the A and A & E gear train in the Hand Control. Such a load is continuous and proportional to velocity giving the operator something to push or pull against, a feature which contributes to smooth control.

MECHANIZATION

Figures 1, 2 and 3 illustrate the system currently used in Hand Control REPORT NO. PAGE 3



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PE 500-0133 for moving the line of sight and the modifications thereto for elimination of track and drift settings.

Most of the design exists already and can be readily adapted to this form of simplification.

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